

ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

An image reading apparatus, wherein it comprises a conveying unit for conveying an original, a reading unit for optically reading the information recorded in the conveyed original at a predetermined reading location, an original pressing unit for pressing the original to the reading unit, and a color reference member used as a color reference at the time when the information is read by the reading unit, and wherein the color reference member is arranged between the reading unit and the original pressing unit and the pressing location of the original to the reading means by the original pressing unit is disposed at a location within the original conveying region and other than the reading location.